STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, established by Congress in 1961, Poison Prevention Week is sponsored by the National Poison Prevention Week Council; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, there were over 7,100 poison exposure cases reported to the Montana Poison Control Center, with 44% of exposures involving children under six years of age; and

WHEREAS, Montanans can prevent poisonings from occurring by placing household chemicals out of the reach of children, storing household chemicals in their original, labeled containers, understanding medication safety, and reading product labels, including the recommended dosages on all products; and

WHEREAS, this Poison Prevention Week, parents, teachers, nurses, employers, and community members are encouraged to take precautions to prevent unintentional poisonings;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim March 19-25, 2023,

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in Montana to prevent poisoning and promote best practices.

GREG GIANFORTE

Governor